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Mr. Edmund F. Mansure Administrator General Services Administration Washington 25, D.C.

Subject: Testing of Security Equipment for 1956

Dear Mr. Mansure:

Mr. Dulles has asked me to reply to your letter of 24 September 1954 concerning testing of security equipment for 1956.

The Central Intelligence Agency, because of the classified nature of its operations, is extremely interested in procuring security equipment which affords the maximum protection against fire and forcible entry.

The present program evolved by the Federal Committee on Security Equipment, in which uniform Government specifications are submitted to manufacturers and tests of models submitted are conducted by the National Bureau of Standards, is of great assistance in insuring that this Agency obtains the best security equipment private industry can offer.

This Agency supports this program and, in order to assure its continuance, recommends that the General Services Administration include in its Budget request for FY 1956 and subsequent years funds to finance this program.

Sincerely,

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L. K. WHITE Deputy Director

cc: Director of Security

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